## State To Vaccinate Child Care Providers In Dover Saturday

About 2,500 Delaware child care providers will have the opportunity to be vaccinated this Saturday through a drivethru COVID-19 vaccination event at Dover International Speedway. The event is a partnership between the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Health and Human Services (HHS), Delaware Emergency Management Agency (DEMA), Delaware Division of Public Health (DPH), Delaware Department of Education (DDOE), and the Dover International Speedway (DIS).

"Delaware's child care providers have been vital to our state, our families, and our children throughout this pandemic, staying open to provide care to our children so other frontline workers could serve our state," said **Governor John Carney**. "We are grateful for their work and are pleased we can vaccinate them so they can continue to serve our youngest learners."

The Delaware Department of Education has worked to help vaccinate more than 4,000 K-12 personnel and roughly 700 child care providers to date.

"Our child care providers and K12 employees are providing essential services to children across Delaware. We are pleased to be making progress in offering these frontline workers the chance to be vaccinated and will continue to work until everyone has had this opportunity," Secretary of Education Susan Bunting said.

This is an invitation-only event. A registration link was sent to child care providers earlier today. Anyone seeking vaccination through this event must provide proof of active employment in a licensed Delaware child care center or home.

Those vaccinated Saturday at the drive-thru event will receive their second doses through a similar future event.

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